## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Previously Presented) A cannula cover for an injector, wherein said cover can be axially retracted prior to injection to expose a cannula and the cannula cover exhibits a substantially closed front facing side comprising a cannula passage opening, wherein a sealing device is coupled to an interior portion of the cannula cover and forms a seal between the cannula and the cannula passage opening, the sealing device exposing the cannula to the cannula passage opening via a radial movement of the sealing device away from the center of the cannula passage opening prior to exposure of the cannula from the cannula cover.

2. (Currently Amended) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 1, wherein [[it]] the cover comprises a latch which can be unlatched by rotating the cover, said latch preventing the cover from being retracted.

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5. (Previously Presented) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 1, wherein the sealing device comprises two tongues with sealing sections at their front ends.

6. (Previously Presented) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 5, wherein the tongues are fixed at a rear base end of the cover and are forced apart by a lever action at the front portion of the cannula support to cause the two tongues to move radially from the center of the cannula passage opening so as to expose the cannula to the cannula passage opening.

7. (Previously Presented) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 2, wherein the sealing device comprises a covering flap which is slid away from the cannula passage opening via a slaving means when the cover is unlatched by rotating it.

8. (Previously Presented) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 2, wherein the sealing device comprises a sealing strip which may be shifted in a longitudinal guide in the cover and whose front end can be slid away from the cannula passage opening by means of a slider on the cover.

9. (Original) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 8, wherein said sealing strip can be shifted directly by longitudinally shifting said slider.

10. (Original) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 8, wherein the sealing strip can be shifted by shifting the slider in the circumferential direction on the cover, and wherein a movement direction component may be shifted.

11. (Original) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 10, wherein the slider simultaneously unlatches the latch preventing the cover from being retracted.

12. (Original) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 1, wherein the cover can only be retracted when a force acts on the cover from the front.

13. (Original) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 12, wherein a threaded insert is provided which converts a force acting in the axial direction into a rotational movement.

14. (Original) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 12, wherein the cover and said threaded insert are coupled such that an axial movement of the cover leads to a relative movement between the cover and the threaded insert.

15. (Original) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 12, wherein a spring element is provided to bias the cover and/or threaded insert.

16. (Previously Presented) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 12, wherein a latching mechanism is provided which prevents the cover from being coupled with an attachment component of the cannula cover.

17. (Previously Presented) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 12, wherein the sealing element for the cannula passage opening exposes the cannula passage opening to the cannula when the cover is inserted.

18. (Currently Amended) A cannula cover for an injector, wherein said cover can be axially retracted prior to injection to expose a cannula and the cannula cover exhibits a substantially closed front facing side comprising a cannula passage, wherein a closure is coupled to an interior portion of the cannula cover and is moveable to open and close the cannula passage, the movement of the closure comprising a portion of the closure moving in a radial movement away from the center of the cannula passage to expose the cannula to the cannula passage prior to exposure of the cannula from the cannula cover.

19. (Previously Presented) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 18, wherein the closure comprises two tongues with sealing sections at their front ends, wherein the sealing sections move away from each other to open the cannula passage.

20. (Previously Presented) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 19, wherein the tongues are fixed at a rear base end of the cover and are forced apart by a lever action at the front portion of the cannula support to cause a portion of the two tongues to move radially away from the center of the cannula passage to expose the cannula to the cannula passage.

21. (Previously Presented) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 18, wherein closure comprises a covering flap which is moveable relative to the cannula passage via a slaving means when the cover is unlatched by rotating it.

22. (Previously Presented) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 18, wherein the closure comprises a sealing strip which may be shifted in a longitudinal guide in the cover and whose front end can be moved relative to the cannula passage by a slider on the cover.

23. (New) The cannula cover as set forth in claim 21, wherein the covering flap rotates to move radially away from the center of the cannula passage prior to exposure of the cannula from the cannula cover when the slaving means engages the covering flap.

24. (New) A cannula cover for an injector, wherein said cover can be axially retracted prior to injection to expose a cannula and the cannula cover exhibits a substantially closed front facing side comprising a cannula passage opening, the closed front facing side with cannula passage opening positioned proximate to the distal end of the cannula relative to the injector when the cannula cover is in a position prior to exposure of the cannula from the cannula cover, wherein a sealing device is coupled to an interior portion of the cannula cover and forms a seal between the cannula and the cannula passage opening, the sealing device exposing the cannula to the cannula passage opening via a radial movement of the sealing device away from the center of the cannula passage opening prior to exposure of the cannula from the cannula cover.